

CLAIMS

1. A method to detect rheumatoid arthritis by detecting at least the upregulation of expression of *WNT10B* in joint synovial fluid, in joint synovial tissue or in peripheral blood.

2. The method to detect rheumatoid arthritis of claim 1, wherein at least the upregulation of expression of *WNT10B* is detected by RT-PCR analysis.

3. The method to detect rheumatoid arthritis of claim 1, wherein at least inhibition of expression of FRP is detected in parallel.

4. The method to detect rheumatoid arthritis of claim 2, wherein at least an inhibition of expression of FRP is detected in parallel.